

Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

Claims 1-14 (Cancelled).

Claim 15 (Currently Amended). A handle assembly for a power tool housing, the handle assembly comprising:-

- a first handle and a second handle;
 - a first handle connecting member having a first axis;
 - a second handle connecting member having a second axis, the second axis non-parallel to the first axis;
 - a first vibration damping element rigidly mounted to the power tool housing between the first handle connecting member and the power tool housing; and
 - a second vibration damping element rigidly mounted to the power tool housing between the second handle connecting member and the power tool housing; and
- wherein the first handle is connected to the power tool housing via the first handle connecting member and the second handle connecting member.

Claim 16 (Previously Presented). A handle assembly according to claim 15, wherein the first vibration damping element and the second vibration damping element are made of an elastomeric material.

Claim 17 (Previously Presented). A handle assembly according to claim 16, wherein the first vibration damping element is a first annular member defining a first aperture having a first aperture axis.

Claim 18 (Previously Presented). A handle assembly according to claim 17, wherein the first handle connecting member extends coaxially through the aperture of the first vibration damping element.

Claim 19 (Previously Presented) A handle assembly according to claim 18, wherein the second vibration damping element is a second annular member defining a second aperture having a second aperture axis.

Claim 20 (Previously Presented). A handle assembly according to claim 19, wherein the second handle connecting member extends coaxially through the aperture of the second vibration damping element.

Claim 21 (Previously Presented). A handle assembly according to claim 20, wherein the first aperture axis and the second aperture axis are non-parallel.

Claim 22 (Withdrawn). A power tool comprising:-

- a housing;
 - a handle;
 - a first handle connecting member having a first axis;
 - a second handle connecting member having a second axis, the second axis non-parallel to the first axis;
 - a first vibration damping element between the first handle connecting member and the housing; and
 - a second vibration damping element between the second handle connecting member and the housing; and
- wherein the handle is connected to the housing via the first handle connecting member and the second handle connecting member.

Claim 23 (Withdrawn). A power tool according to claim 22, wherein the first vibration damping element and the second vibration damping element are made of an elastomeric material.

Claim 24 (Withdrawn). A power tool according to claim 23, wherein the first vibration damping element is a first annular member defining a first aperture having a first aperture axis.

Claim 25 (Withdrawn). A handle assembly according to claim 24, wherein the first handle connecting member extends coaxially through the aperture of the first vibration damping element.

Claim 26 (Withdrawn) A handle assembly according to claim 25, wherein the second vibration damping element is a second annular member defining a second aperture having a second aperture axis.

Claim 27 (Withdrawn). A handle assembly according to claim 26, wherein the second handle connecting member extends coaxially through the aperture of the second vibration damping element.

Claim 28 (Withdrawn). A handle assembly according to claim 27, wherein the first aperture axis and the second aperture axis are non-parallel.

Claim 29 (Currently Amended). A handle assembly for a power tool housing, the handle assembly comprising:

a first vibration damping element rigidly mounted to the tool housing and having a first axis of compression;

a second vibration damping element rigidly mounted to the tool housing and having a second axis of compression non-parallel to the first axis of compression;

a first handle and a second handle, and the first handle is connected to the power tool housing via the first vibration damping element and the second vibration element.

Claim 30 (Previously Presented). A handle assembly for a power tool according to claim 29, wherein the first axis of compression is substantially perpendicular to the second axis of compression.

Claim 31 (Previously Presented). A handle assembly for a power tool according to claim 29, wherein one of the first vibration damping element and the second vibration element includes an elastomeric element.

Claim 32 (Withdrawn). A handle assembly for a power tool according to claim 29, wherein one of the first vibration damping element and the second vibration damping element is a spring.

Claim 33 (Previously Presented). A handle assembly for a power tool according to claim 31, wherein the elastomeric element is substantially cylindrical and defines an annulus having an annulus axis substantially coaxial with one of the first axis of compression and the second axis of compression.

Claim 34 (Previously Presented). A handle assembly for a power tool according to claim 29, and further including an intermediate portion located between the first vibration damping element and the second vibration damping element.

Claim 35 (Previously Presented). A handle assembly according to claim 34 wherein the handle is connected to the intermediate portion via the first vibration damping element, and the intermediate portion is connected to the power tool housing via the second vibration damping element.

Claim 36 (New). A handle assembly for a power tool housing, the handle assembly comprising:

- a grip handle;
- a first connecting member having a first longitudinal axis and mounted to the tool housing via a first vibration damping element;

a second connecting member having a second longitudinal axis substantially perpendicular to the first longitudinal axis and mounted to the tool housing via a second vibration damping element, and the second connecting member has a first end connected to the grip handle and second end connected to the first connecting member.

Claim 37 (New). A handle assembly for a power tool housing according to claim 36 wherein:

the first vibration damping element is a first elastomeric element defining a first bore and the first connecting member extends through and is supported in the first bore; and

the second vibration damping element is a second elastomeric element defining a second bore and the second connecting member extends through and is supported in the second bore.

Claim 38 (New). A handle assembly for a power tool housing according to claim 36 wherein:

the grip handle has a handle axis;

the first vibration damping element is a first elastomeric annular cylinder defining a first bore and the first connecting member extends through and is supported in the first bore, and the first connecting member and first elastomeric annular cylinder are coaxial with the handle axis; and

the second vibration damping element is a second elastomeric annular cylinder defining a second bore and the second connecting member extends through and is supported in the second bore, and the second connecting member and second elastomeric annular cylinder are coaxial to each other and substantially perpendicular to the handle axis.